THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Reports of violence between two different tribes namely Karbis and Dimasas in Karbi Anglong district have been received from Government of Assam. So far, 92 persons have lost their lives and more than 2000 houses have been destroyed.

(b) The State Government has undertaken rehabilitation measures which include sanction of Rs. 3 lakh as *ex-gratia* grant to the next of kin of the victim; providing gratuitous relief to the affected families; and rehabilitation assistance for construction of houses. Central Government is committed to reimburse the expenses to State Government at the prescribed scales.

The situation is being closely monitored by the Government. Additional Central Police Forces and State Police have been deployed in Karbi Anglong District to control the violence. The State Government has been advised to strengthen the police in the area by setting up additional police stations and augment road network in the district. State Government has also been advised to strictly enforce the cease-fire ground rules signed with the militant outfits in association with the Central Police Forces.

(c) The Government's policy is to hold dialogue, pursue socio-economic development programmes, modernize and strengthen the police/security forces and to tackle the activities of the militants with the help of forces to protect properties, limbs and lives of innocent people.

Security threat to Eastern part of the country

807. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any report that there was a security threat to the Eastern part of the country with Bangladesh being used as a springboard to foment militancy in the region;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) the steps taken/to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) There are reports that Indian Insurgent Group (HG) have set up camps/hideouts in Bangladesh for subversive activities.

(b) and (c) The Government has taken up India's security concern with the Government of Bangladesh at various fora. Both the sides have agreed to work on security issues closely. Besides, Government has also taken up various measures to control cross-border terrorism, which *inter-alia*

include accelerated programme of construction of border roads and border fencing, strengthening of Border Security Force for deployment on borders and equipping them with modern and sophisticated equipments/gadgets, reduction of gaps between border outposts, intensification of patrolling, provision of surveillance equipments, etc.

Handing over the 1984 riots to CBI

808. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have issued necessary instruction to again hand over the 1984 anti-sikh matter in Delhi to CBI;

(b) if so, the main reasons for delaying the matter further when 21 years has already lapsed;

(c) the details of the difficulties/problems being faced by Government to decide the matter quickly; if any; and

(d) if not, by when a final decision is expected to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. In pursuance of the recommendations of Justice Nanavati Commission of Inquiry into 1984 riots, which submitted its report on 9th February, 2005, the Government has already entrusted to the CBI the work of conducting further investigation/ re-investigation into cases against some individuals relating 1984 riots.

STF of Karnataka and TN for Naxal infected areas

809. SHRI DEVDAS APTE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Government have called for STF (Special Task Force) from Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, which liquidated Veerappan, to join Task Force to operate in Naxal infected areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): The Government of Tamil Nadu has informed that the Special Task Force (STF) is now deployed in Naxal affected districts of Krishnagiri and Dharmapuri. As regards the State of Karnataka, they have intimated that the Special Task Force was discontinued in March, 2005 and a separate Anti-Naxal Force has been constituted to deal with the naxal problem in the State.